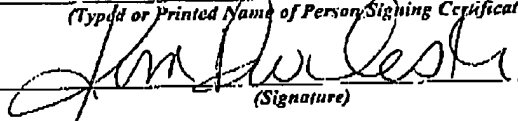


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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on September 22, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-9 and 21-30, drawn to a space transformer, classified in class 336, subclass 200. This election is made with traverse, and Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application in connection with unelected claims 1-20, drawn to a wafer test apparatus, classified in class 324, subclass 752.

In response to the Election Requirement mailed on September 22, 2004, Applicant hereby provisionally elects species 2 (FIG. 12A), the claims readable thereon being 1-8. This election is made with traverse, and Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application in connection with unelected claim 9, drawn to FIG. 12B and unelected claims 21-30 drawn to FIG. 13. Applicants believe claims 1-7 are generic.

With regard to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants respectfully submit that the subject matter of all claims 1-30 is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one group of claims would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the search and the examination of

the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP § 803, in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions" (emphasis added). Applicants respectfully submit that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicants and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.